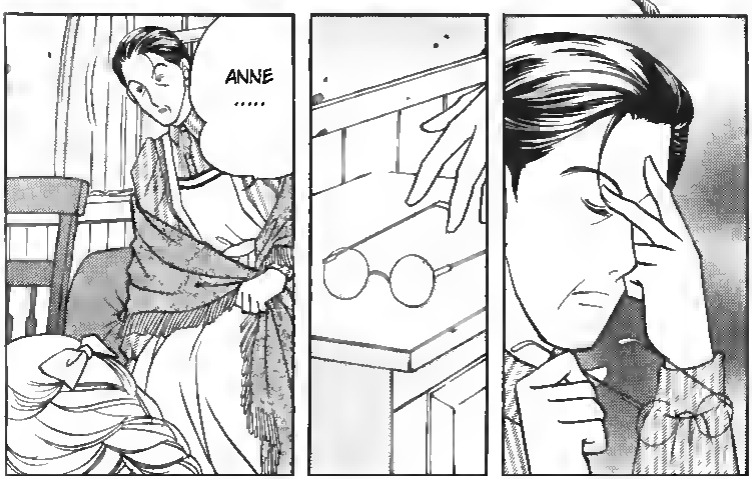
ANNE
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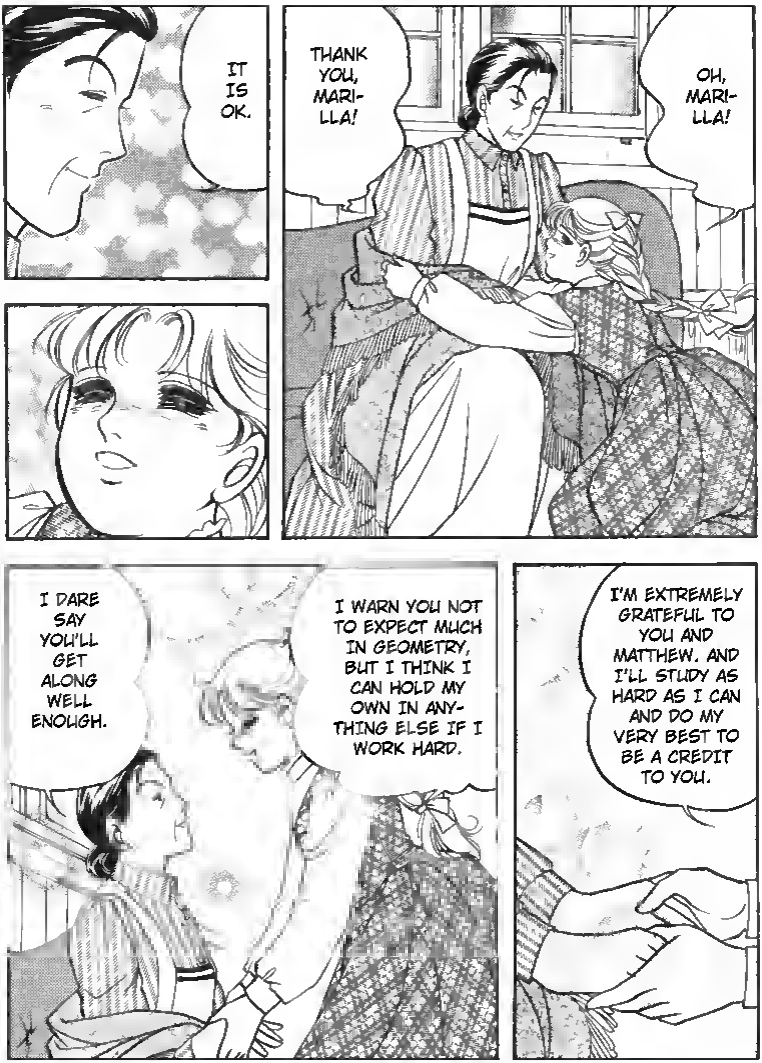
DIANA AND I WERE ONLY OVER IN THE HAUNTED WOOD, TALKING ABOUT OUR PROSPECTS.
MISS STACY WAS HERE THIS AFTERNOON WHEN YOU WERE OUT WITH DIANA.
WE FEEL THAT WE ARE SO MUCH OLDER THAN WE USED TO BE, THAT IT ISN'T BECOMING TO TALK OF CHILDISH MATTERS. IT'S SUCH A SOLEMN THING TO BE ALMOST FOURTEEN, MARILLA.
LATELY, RUBY GILLIS IS THINKING OF NOTHING BUT YOUNG MEN, AND THE OLDER SHE IS, THE WORSE SHE GETS.
WE ARE THINKING SERIOUSLY OF PROMISING EACH OTHER THAT WE WILL NEVER MARRY, BUT BE NICE OLD MAIDS AND LIVE TOGETHER FOREVER.
THAT IS WHAT I WANT TO TELL YOU, ANNE, IF YOU'LL EVER GIVE ME A CHANCE TO GET A WORD IN EDGEWISE. SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT YOU.
BUT WHY WAS MISS STACY HERE THIS AFTERNOON?

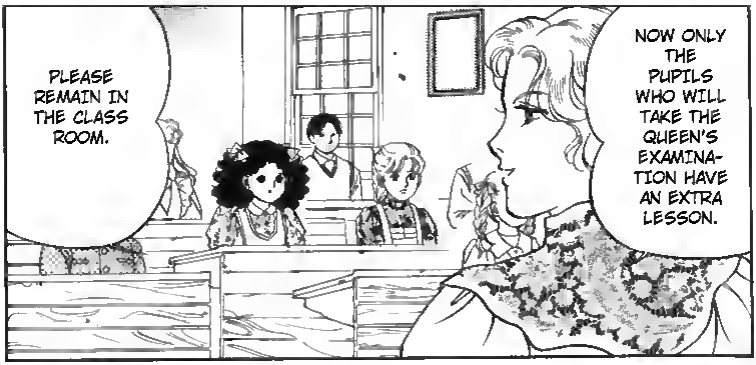
AND SHE ALSO FOUND ME ONE DAY, READING A BOOK CALLED 'THE LURID MYSTERY OF THE HAUNTED HALL'.
SO I THINK IT WASN'T VERY KIND OF HER TO COME UP HERE TO YOU ABOUT IT AFTER ALL.
MISS STACY CAUGHT ME READING BEN HUR IN SCHOOL YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WHEN I SHOULD HAVE BEEN STUDYING MY CANADIAN HISTORY.
IT WAS ONE RUBY GILLIS HAD LENT ME, BUT MISS STACY SAID IT WAS A VERY SILLY, UNWHOLESOME BOOK, AND SHE ASKED ME NOT TO READ ANY MORE OF IT OR ANY LIKE IT.
ABOUT ME? OH, I KNOW WHAT SHE WAS SAYING. I MEANT TO TELL YOU, MARILLA, HONESTLY I DID, BUT I FORGOT.
?
OH, INDEED, MARILLA, I DO WANT TO HEAR IT. I WON'T SAY ANOTHER WORD - NOT ONE.
I SEE PLAINLY THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT MISS STACY HAD TO SAY.

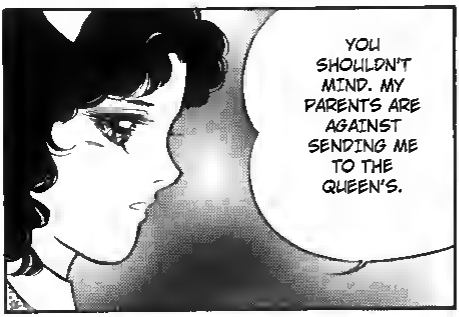
AND SHE CAME TO ASK MATTHEW AND I IF WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU JOIN IT.
QUEEN'S ACADEMY .....
WELL, MISS STACY WANTS TO ORGANIZE A CLASS AMONG HER ADVANCED STUDENTS WHO MEAN TO STUDY FOR THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS INTO QUEEN'S.
OH, MARILLA! IT'S BEEN THE DREAM OF MY LIFE!
I'D LOVE TO BE A TEACHER.
BUT.. ....

I GUESS YOU NEEDN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT PART OF IT.
....TO PUT PRISSY THROUGH, AND PRISSY WASN'T A DUNCE IN GEOMETRY.
BUT WON'T IT BE DREADFULLY EXPENSIVE? MR. ANDREWS SAYS IT COST HIM ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS....
MARILLA .....
WHEN MATTHEW AND I TOOK YOU TO BRING UP, WE RESOLVED WE WOULD DO THE BEST WE COULD FOR YOU AND GIVE YOU A GOOD EDUCATION.
YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE A HOME AT GREEN GABLES AS LONG AS MATTHEW AND I ARE HERE, BUT NOBODY KNOWS WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN IN THIS UNCERTAIN WORLD, AND IT'S JUST AS WELL TO BE PREPARED. SO YOU CAN JOIN THE QUEEN'S CLASS IF YOU LIKE, ANNE.
I BELIEVED IN A GIRL BEING FITTED TO EARN HER OWN LIVING WHETHER SHE EVER HAS TO OR NOT.

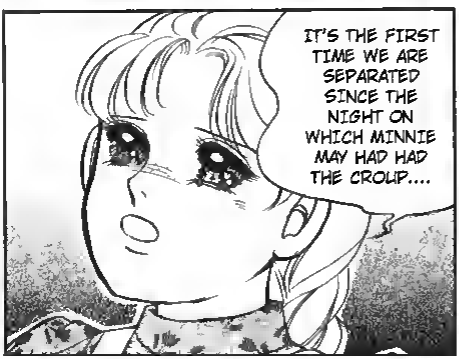

IT IS OK.
THANK YOU, MARI-LLA!
OH, MARI-LLA!
I DARE SAY YOU'LL GET ALONG WELL ENOUGH.
I WARN YOU NOT TO EXPECT MUCH IN GEOMETRY, BUT I THINK I CAN HOLD MY OWN IN ANY-THING ELSE IF I WORK HARD.
I'M EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO YOU AND MATTHEW. AND I'LL STUDY AS HARD AS I CAN AND DO MY VERY BEST TO BE A CREDIT TO YOU.

I WOULD CALL IT A WORTHY PURPOSE TO WANT TO BE A TEACHER LIKE MISS STACY, WOULDN'T YOU, MARILLA? I THINK IT'S A VERY NOBLE PROFESSION.
I SHALL TAKE MORE INTEREST THAN EVER IN MY STUDIES NOW, BECAUSE I HAVE A PURPOSE IN LIFE.
AND NOW TODAY'S CLASS IS OVER.

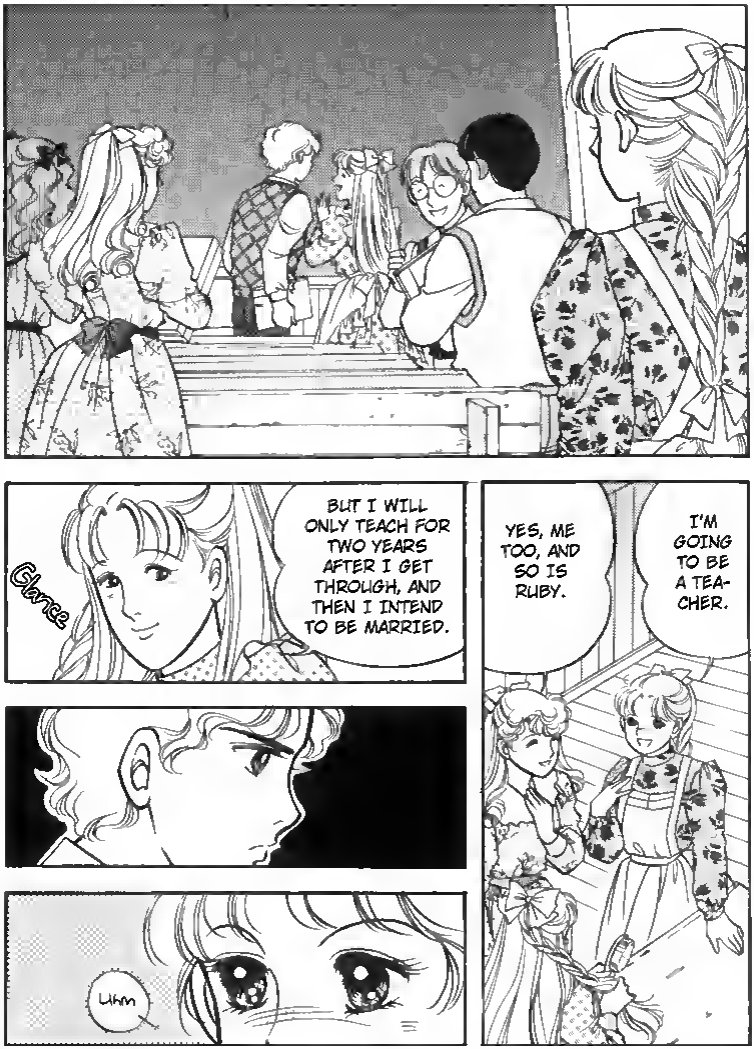

PLEASE REMAIN IN THE CLASS ROOM.
NOW ONLY THE PUPILS WHO WILL TAKE THE QUEEN'S EXAMINATION HAVE AN EXTRA LESSON.

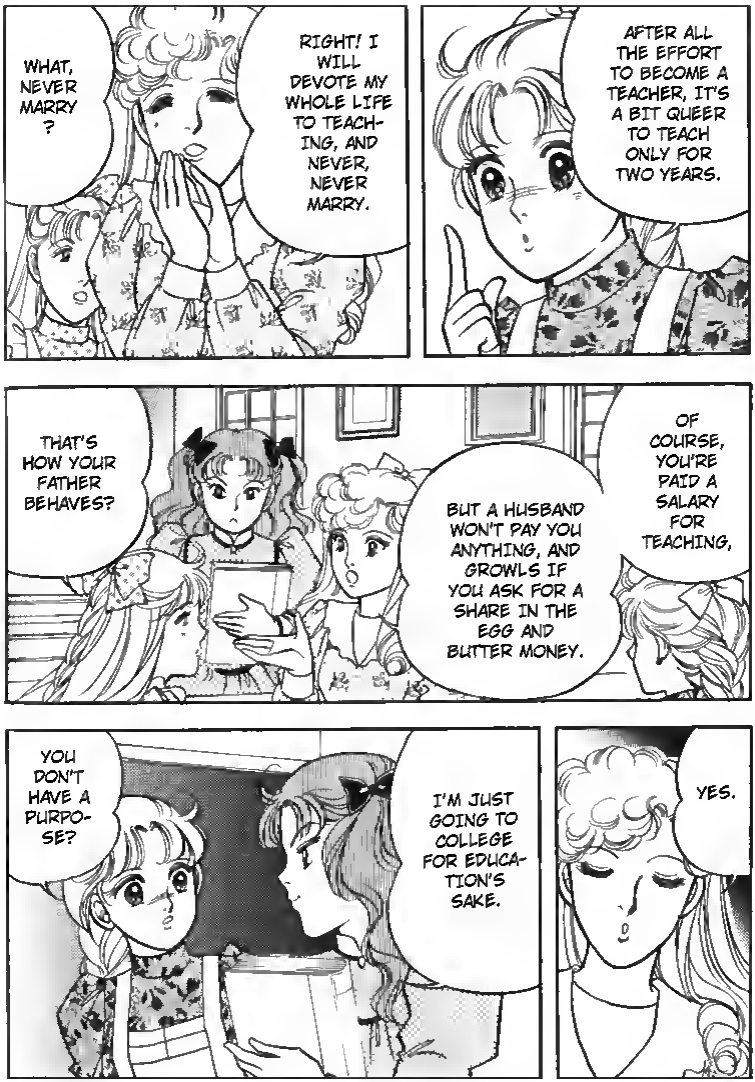

YOU SHOULDN'T MIND. MY PARENTS ARE AGAINST SENDING ME TO THE QUEEN'S.

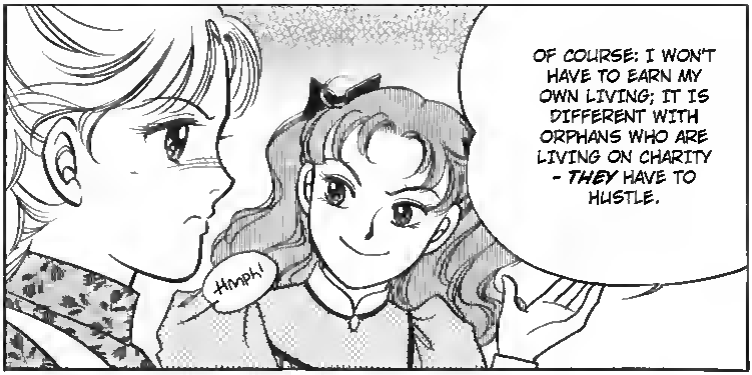
DIANA .....

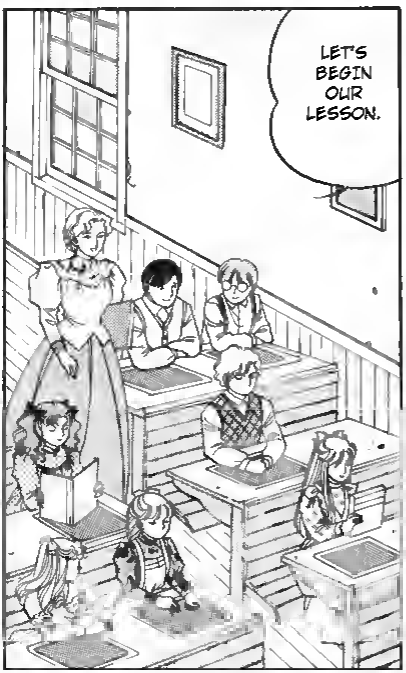

IT'S THE FIRST TIME WE ARE SEPARATED SINCE THE NIGHT ON WHICH MINNIE MAY HAD HAD THE CROUP....

TRY TO DO YOUR BEST!
SURE.


I'M GOING TO BE A TEACHER.
YES, ME TOO, AND SO IS RUBY.
Clarice
BUT I WILL ONLY TEACH FOR TWO YEARS AFTER I GET THROUGH, AND THEN I INTEND TO BE MARRIED.
Uhm


WHAT, NEVER MARRY ?
RIGHT! I WILL DEVOTE MY WHOLE LIFE TO TEACH-ING, AND NEVER, NEVER MARRY.
AFTER ALL THE EFFORT TO BECOME A TEACHER, IT'S A BIT QUEER TO TEACH ONLY FOR TWO YEARS.
THAT'S HOW YOUR FATHER BEHAVES?
BUT A HUSBAND WON'T PAY YOU ANYTHING, AND GROWLS IF YOU ASK FOR A SHARE IN THE EGG AND BUTTER MONEY.
OF COURSE, YOU'RE PAID A SALARY FOR TEACHING,
YOU DON'T HAVE A PURPO-SE?
I'M JUST GOING TO COLLEGE FOR EDUCA-TION'S SAKE.
YES.


OF COURSE: I WON'T HAVE TO EARN MY OWN LIVING; IT IS DIFFERENT WITH ORPHANS WHO ARE LIVING ON CHARITY - *THEY* HAVE TO HUSTLE.
Hmph!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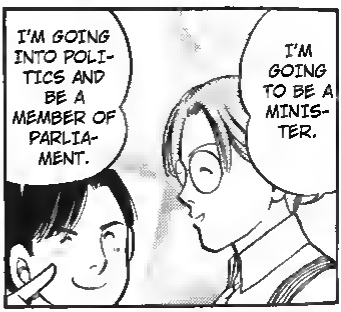
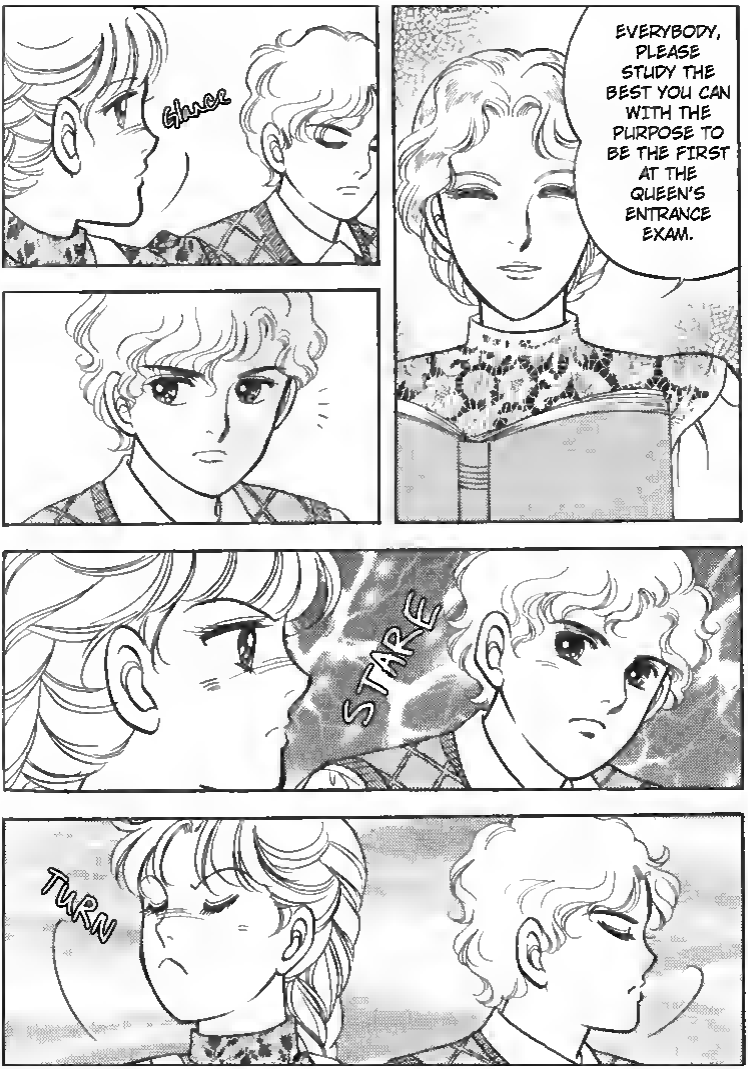

I'M GOING INTO POLITICS AND BE A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.
I'M GOING TO BE A MINISTER.

EVERYBODY, MISS STACY IS BACK.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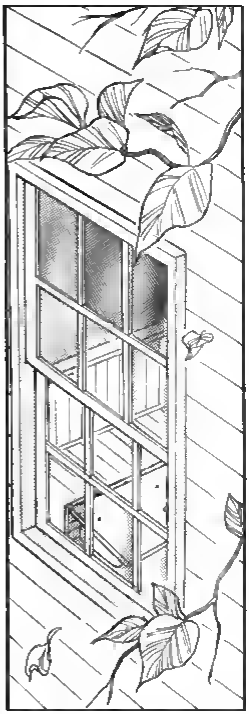
EVERYBODY, PLEASE STUDY THE BEST YOU CAN WITH THE PURPOSE TO BE THE FIRST AT THE QUEEN'S ENTRANCE EXAM.
STARE
TURN

I DON'T WANT TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT PERSON...
THEY WENT HOME TOGETHER YESTERDAY AS WELL.
BUT LATELY GILBERT SPENDS MOST OF HIS TIME WITH RUBY.
THE FIRST WILL BE EITHER GILBERT OR YOU.



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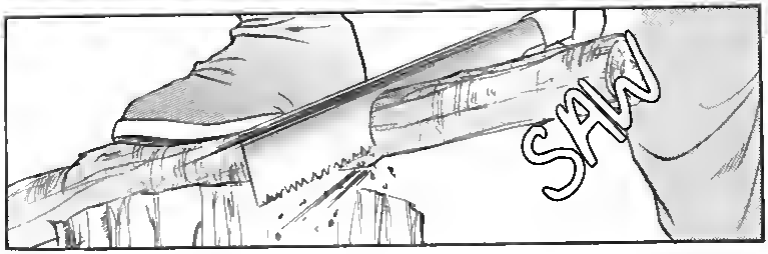
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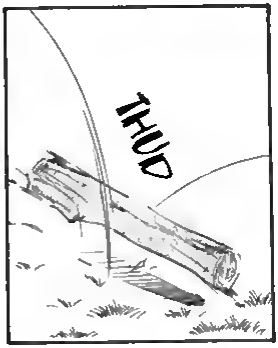
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I'M SURE YOU'LL PASS THE FIRST AT THE EXAM.
I'VE STUDIED AS HARD ALL TERM AS I POSSIBLY COULD, SO I THINK I NEED TO MOVE A LITTLE
ANNE, HOW'S YOUR STUDIES GOING?
I WANT TO BE ABLE TO ALWAYS BRING HAPPINESS TO YOU AND TO MARILLA.
I'LL DO MY BEST FOR YOUR SAKE, MATTHEW!
MATTHEW?
YES, YES.

MATT-
HEW,
PULL
YOUR-
SELF
TOGE-
THER!

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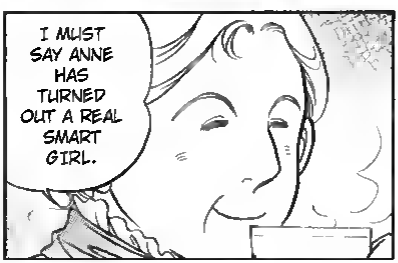
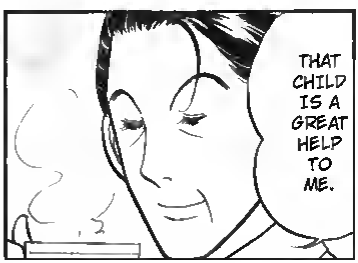
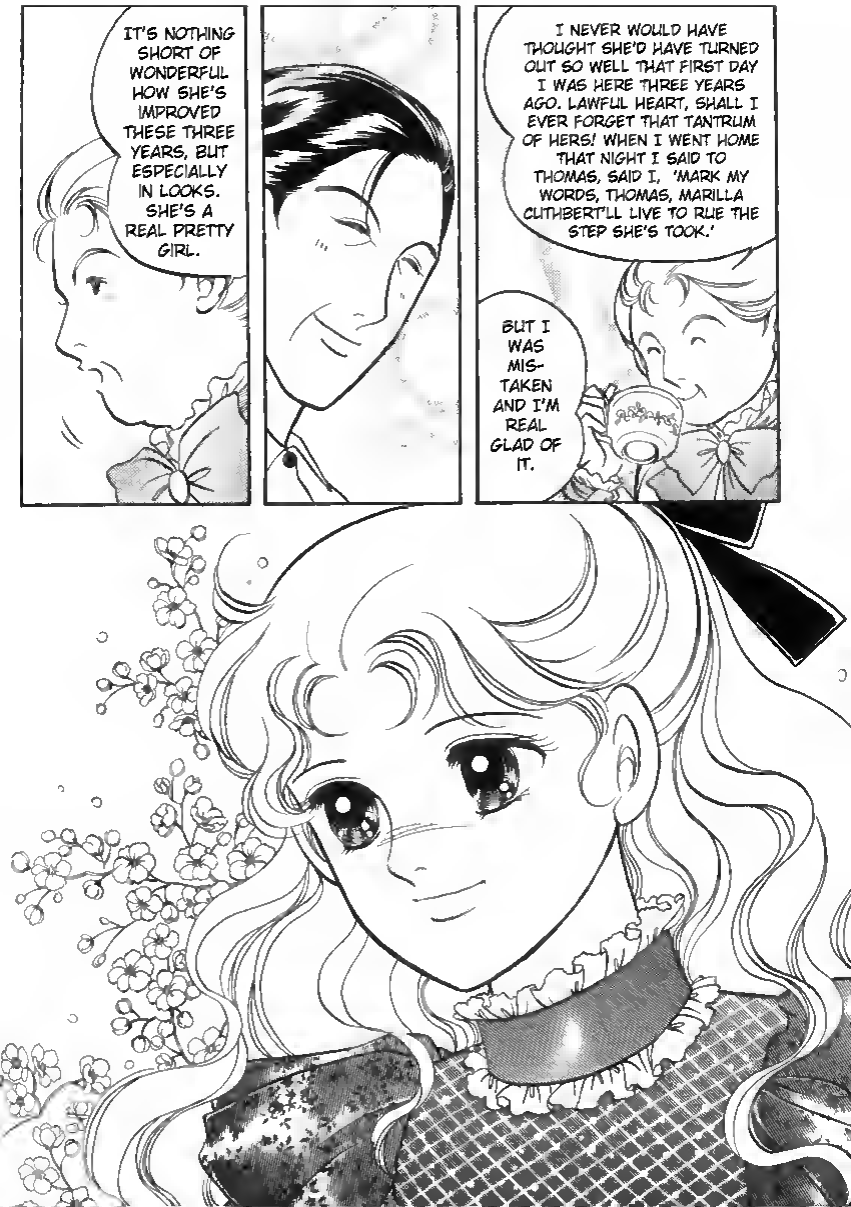
HEW!
MATT-
HEW!

HOW'S MATTHEW DOING?
HE HAD A BAD SPELL WITH HIS HEART, BUT HE'S ALRIGHT AGAIN NOW.

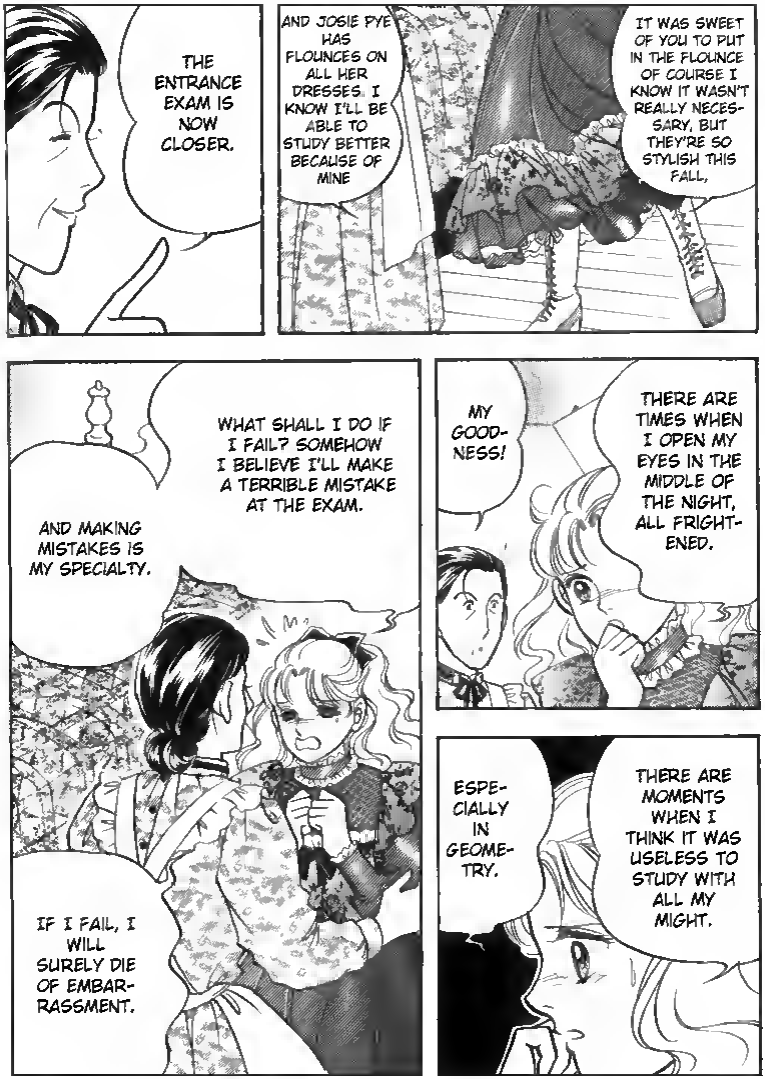
HAS ANNE NURSED HIM?
TOMORROW HE'LL BE BACK WORKING IN THE FIELDS. ANYWAY, YOU MIGHT AS WELL TELL MATTHEW NOT TO BREATHE IF HE IS NOT TO WORK.


I MUST SAY ANNE HAS TURNED OUT A REAL SMART GIRL.


THAT CHILD IS A GREAT HELP TO ME.


IT'S NOTHING SHORT OF WONDERFUL HOW SHE'S IMPROVED THESE THREE YEARS, BUT ESPECIALLY IN LOOKS. SHE'S A REAL PRETTY GIRL.
I NEVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT SHE'D HAVE TURNED OUT SO WELL THAT FIRST DAY I WAS HERE THREE YEARS AGO. LAWFUL HEART, SHALL I EVER FORGET THAT TANTRUM OF HERS! WHEN I WENT HOME THAT NIGHT I SAID TO THOMAS, SAID I, 'MARK MY WORDS, THOMAS, MARILLA CUTHBERT'LL LIVE TO RUE THE STEP SHE'S TOOK.'
BUT I WAS MIS-TAKEN AND I'M REAL GLAD OF IT.

THANK YOU MARILLA! THIS DARK-GREEN IS SO PRETTY!


THE ENTRANCE EXAM IS NOW CLOSER.
AND JOSIE PYE HAS FLOUNCES ON ALL HER DRESSES. I KNOW I'LL BE ABLE TO STUDY BETTER BECAUSE OF MINE
IT WAS SWEET OF YOU TO PUT IN THE FLOUNCE OF COURSE I KNOW IT WASN'T REALLY NECESSARY, BUT THEY'RE SO STYLISH THIS FALL,
WHAT SHALL I DO IF I FAIL? SOMEHOW I BELIEVE I'LL MAKE A TERRIBLE MISTAKE AT THE EXAM.
AND MAKING MISTAKES IS MY SPECIALTY.
IF I FAIL, I WILL SURELY DIE OF EMBARRASSMENT.
MY GOODNESS!
THERE ARE TIMES WHEN I OPEN MY EYES IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, ALL FRIGHTENED.
ESPECIALLY IN GEOMETRY.
THERE ARE MOMENTS WHEN I THINK IT WAS USELESS TO STUDY WITH ALL MY MIGHT.

MY ....
ANNE, DON'T BE SILLY.
I'VE OFTEN DREAMT I FOUND MYSELF STARING MISERABLY AT PASS LISTS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMS, WHERE GILBERT BLYTHE'S NAME WAS BLAZONED AT THE TOP AND IN WHICH MINE DID NOT APPEAR AT ALL
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IT IS REALLY CURIOUS.
....WHY, ANNE, HOW YOU'VE GROWN!

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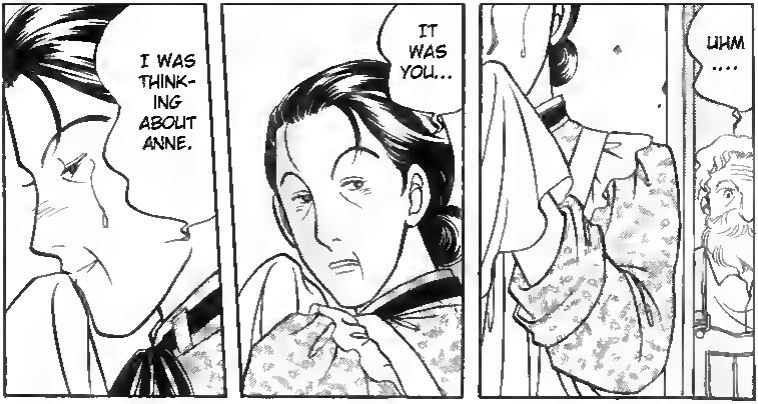
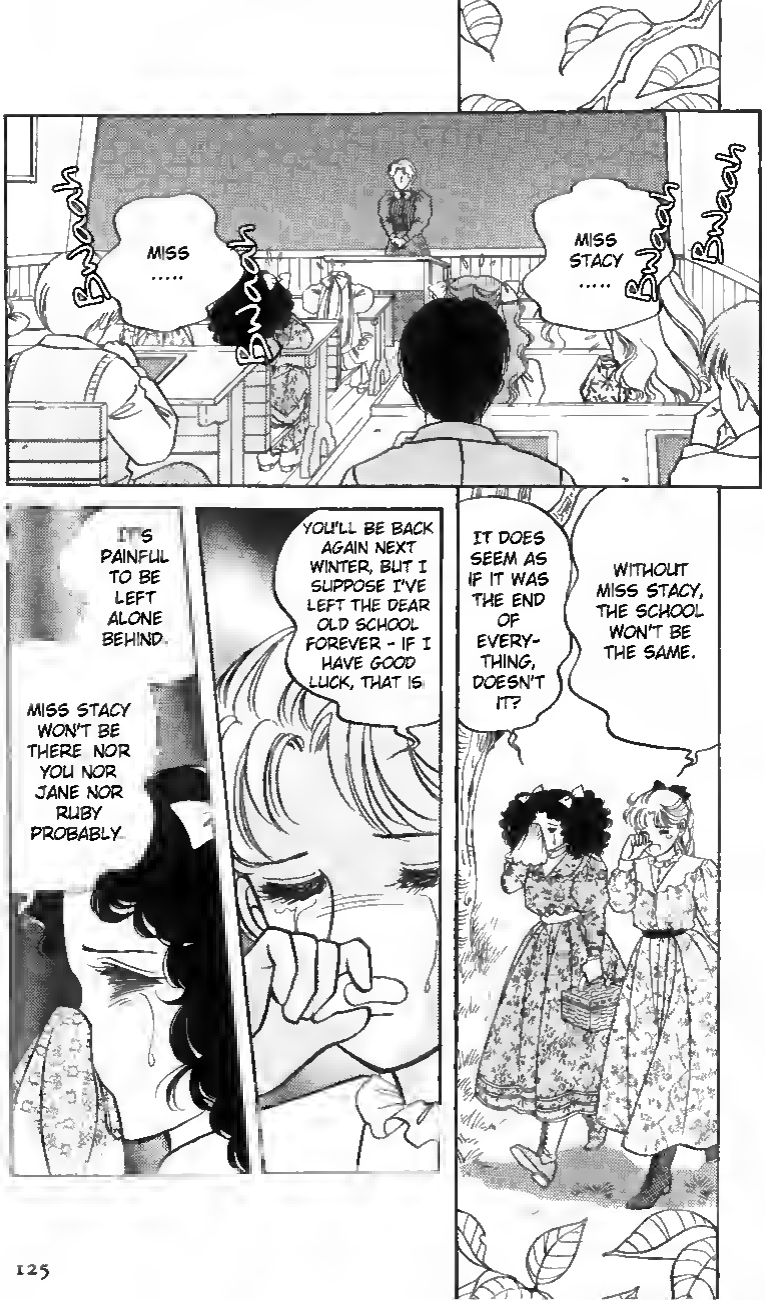

I WAS THINK-ING ABOUT ANNE.
IT WAS YOU...
UHM ....

SHE'LL BE ABLE TO COME HOME OFTEN.
SHE'S GOT TO BE SUCH A BIG GIRL - AND SHE'LL PROBABLY BE AWAY FROM US NEXT WINTER. I'LL MISS HER TERRIBLY.

BUT THERE - MEN CAN'T UNDER-STAND THESE THINGS!

THE BRANCH RAILROAD WILL BE BUILT TO CARMODY BY THAT TIME.
IT WON'T BE THE SAME THING AS HAVING HER HERE ALL THE TIME.

EVEN IF OUR WAYS ARE PARTING NOW, THE THINGS YOU HAVE LEARNT WILL ENDURE FOREVER.
THIS JUNE, MY CONTRACT WITH AVONLEA'S SCHOOL ENDS.
MISS STACY .....
OOH!


MISS .....
Bwaah
Bwaah
MISS STACY .....
Bwaah
Bwaah
WITHOUT MISS STACY, THE SCHOOL WON'T BE THE SAME.
IT DOES SEEM AS IF IT WAS THE END OF EVERY-THING, DOESN'T IT?
YOU'LL BE BACK AGAIN NEXT WINTER, BUT I SUPPOSE I'VE LEFT THE DEAR OLD SCHOOL FOREVER - IF I HAVE GOOD LUCK, THAT IS.
IT'S PAINFUL TO BE LEFT ALONE BEHIND.
MISS STACY WON'T BE THERE NOR YOU NOR JANE NOR RUBY PROBABLY.

AFTER ALL, I DARE SAY I'LL BE BACK NEXT YEAR. THIS IS ONE OF THE TIMES I KNOW I'M NOT GOING TO PASS.
I CAN'T STOP CRYING.
I WISH YOU COULD COME TO THE QUEEN'S ACADEMY WITH ME.
WHY, YOU CAME OUT SPLENDIDLY IN THE EXAMS MISS STACY GAVE.
YES, BUT THOSE EXAMS DIDN'T MAKE ME NERVOUS. WHEN I THINK OF THE REAL THING, YOU CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT A HORRID COLD FLUTTERY FEELING COMES ROUND MY HEART. AND THEN MY NUMBER IS THIRTEEN AND JOSIE PYE SAYS IT'S SO UNLUCKY.
EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT.
IT WILL BE FINE.

OF COURSE I WILL.
YOU'LL WRITE TO ME WHILE YOU'RE IN, WON'T YOU?
PRISSY ANDREWS TOLD ME THAT SHE SAT UP HALF THE NIGHT FOR EVERY NIGHT OF HER ENTRANCE WEEK AND CRAMMED FOR DEAR LIFE, AND I AM DETERMINED TO SIT UP AT LEAST AS LONG AS SHE DID. IT WAS SO KIND OF YOUR AUNT JOSEPHINE TO ASK ME TO STAY AT BEECHWOOD MANSION WHILE I'M IN TOWN.
TOOOO

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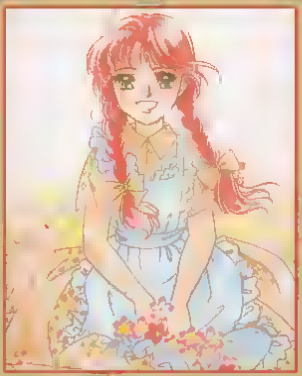

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